

Title (en)  
A PROCESS FOR UPGRADING A CRUDE OIL PRODUCT

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VERFAHREN ZUR VERBESSERUNG VON ROHÖL

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PROCÉDÉ DE VALORISATION D'HUILE BRUTE

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Abstract (en)  
A process for upgrading a crude oil product comprising the following steps: (a) distilling the crude oil product at atmospheric pressure to obtain at least one atmospheric distillate stream and an atmospheric residue as bottom stream; (b) optionally vacuum distilling the atmospheric residue to obtain at least one vacuum distillate stream and a vacuum residue as bottom stream; (c) supplying either the atmospheric residue or the vacuum residue to a solvent deasphalting unit and deasphalting the residue to obtain deasphalted oil and an asphaltic fraction; (d) combining at least one atmospheric distillate stream obtained in step (a) and the deasphalted oil to obtain a combined hydrocracker feedstock; and (e) supplying the combined hydrocracker feedstock to a hydrocracking unit and subjecting the feedstock to single-stage hydrocracking by contacting the combined feedstock with a hydrocracking catalyst in the presence of hydrogen at elevated pressure and temperature thereby effecting conversion of at least 25 wt% of the hydrocarbons in the feedstock boiling above 360 °C into hydrocarbons boiling below 360 °C, to obtain an upgraded crude oil product.

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